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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: US Patent Application 09/770,958  
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## Amendment

Dear Examiner Dexter:

This responds to the Office Action mailed December 17, 2002.

Claims 1-10 are pending in this application. Claims 8-10 have been withdrawn from further consideration by election. Claims 1-7 are rejected by the Examiner. Claims 11 and 12 have been added.

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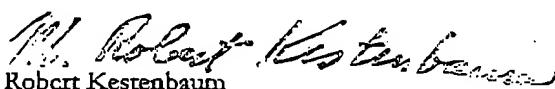
## NOTES/COMMENTS:

Dear Examiner Dexter:

I am faxing you an Amendment (10 pages), including a Letter to the Draftsperson of the Patent Office, and additionally, two sheets of proposed Figures (1 and 5), and PTO Form 2038 authorizing charging a credit card for a Large Entity one month extension fee. I respectfully believe that this Amendment fully satisfies your requirements and satisfactorily addresses the cited prior art to make the claims in this case allowable.

I look forward to receiving your response to this Amendment.

Sincerely,



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